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For: *In vitro Differentiation of Vascular Smooth Muscle Cells and Reagents Related Thereto*



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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Response and Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on August 16, 2000 in the above-referenced application. A Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and appropriate fee are enclosed herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

In the specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, after the title and before "Government Support", insert:

--Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/063,363 filed October 28, 1997; U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/080,420, filed April 2, 1998; and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/096,685, filed August 14, 1998, the contents of which are specifically incorporated by reference herein..

At page 4, line 23, after "W011", insert --(SEQ ID NO: 1)--;

At page 4, line 23, after "LTBP-1", insert --(SEQ ID NO: 2)--; and

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